

FLOOD CONTROL



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Project Map

SOQUEL CREEK, SECTION 205 SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 17th District, Rep. Sam Farr

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The study area is located along Soquel Creek, within the town of Soquel, Santa Cruz County, California.

FISCAL YEAR 03 BUDGET: \$0

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS: The plan identified as the most favorable at the conclusion of the Reconnaissance Study in February 1988 featured a 600-foot long concrete floodwall (4.5 feet maximum in height) and bridge pier modifications. If an emergency debris removal program is added to the plan, a 30-year level of flood protection could be realized. The County, through adoption of the Soquel Village Development Plan, has identified a plan that features channel excavation, an offset levee or berm, and bridge raising to provide 30-year protection.

PRESENT STATUS: A Reconnaissance Report was completed in February 1988 under the authority of Section 205, Flood Control Act of 1948 (P.L. 80-858), as amended. That report recommended proceeding to the Feasibility Study. The sponsor asked that the study be suspended until a redevelopment plan (Soquel Village Plan) was completed. In March 1993, the District received permission from HQUSACE to proceed with the Feasibility Study. Further action has been deferred pending the sponsor's commitment to participate in a feasibility cost-sharing agreement.

FUTURE EFFORTS: Completion of the feasibility cost-sharing agreement with the sponsor and initiation of the Feasibility Study is not anticipated in the foreseeable future. There has been no significant action on this study in the last five years.